H. R. 665.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

JANUARY 27, 1863.

Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

AN ACT

Making appropriations for the service of the Post Office Department during the fiscal year ending the thirtieth of June, eighteen hundred and sixty-four.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 That the following sums be, and the same are hereby, appro-
- 4 priated for the service of the Post Office Department for the
- 5 year ending the thirtieth of June, eighteen hundred and
- 6 sixty-four, out of any moneys in the treasury arising from
- 7 the revenues of the said department, in conformity to the act
- 8 of the second of July, eighteen hundred and thirty-six:
- 9 For transportation of the mails, (inland,) seven million
- 10 two hundred and two thousand dollars.
- 11 For foreign mail transportation, four hundred and twenty
- 12 thousand dollars.
- 13 For ship, steamboat, and way letters, eight thousand
- 14 dollars.

For compensation to postmasters, two million four hun-

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hundred and ten thousand dollars.

16 dred and thirty thousand dollars. 17 For clerks for post offices, nine hundred and fifty 18 thousand dollars. 19 For payments to letter-carriers, one hundred and eighty 20 thousand dollars. For paper for blanks, fifty-four thousand dollars. 21 22 For compensation of blank agents and assistants, six 23 thousand dollars. 24 For printing blanks, sixteen thousand dollars. 25 For wrapping paper, forty thousand dollars. 26 For twine, fifteen thousand dollars. 27 For office stamps, six thousand dollars. 28 For office furniture, three thousand dollars. 29 For advertising, fifty-five thousand dollars. 30 For postage stamps and stamped envelopes, one hundred 31 thousand dollars. For mail depredations and special agents, seventy-five 32 thousand dollars. 33 34 For mail bags, sixty-five thousand dollars. For mail locks, keys, and miscellaneous items, ten thou-35 36 sand dollars. For payment of balances due to foreign countries, two 37

For miscellaneous payments, one hundred and fifty-five

- 40 thousand dollars; of which not exceeding four thousand dol-
- 41 lars may be appropriated for fitting up a portion of the
- 42 custom-houses at Newport, Rhode Island, and New Bedford,
- 43 Massachusetts, for the use of the post offices in said cities.
 - 1 Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the sum of one
 - 2 million dollars is hereby appropriated, out of any money in
 - 3 the treasury not otherwise appropriated, for the service of the
 - 4 California central route.
 - 1 Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That in case the
 - 2 revenues of the Post Office Department are insufficient to meet
 - 3 the appropriations made by this act, the undrawn balances
 - 4 of appropriations heretofore made to supply deficiencies of
 - 5 that department are hereby made applicable to the paymen
 - 6 thereof.
 - 1 Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That the sum of six
 - 2 thousand dollars be transferred from the appropriation for
 - 3 paper for the public printing provided for by act approved
- 4 March fourteenth, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, entitled
- 5 "An act making appropriations for the legislative, executive,
- 6 and judicial expenses of the government for the year ending
- 7 the thirtieth of June, eighteen hundred and sixty-three, and
- 8 additional appropriations for the year ending thirtieth of June,
- 9 eighteen hundred and sixty-two," to enable the Postmaster
- 10 General to pay therefrom the compensation of the blank

11 agents and their assistants, heretofore paid out of the appro-

12 priation for post office blanks.

Passed the House of Representatives January 26, 1863.

Attest:

EM. ETHERIDGE, Clerk.